Table 4. Laborforce status of doctoral scientists and engineers, by field of doctorate: 1999

September 2002

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	Field of doctorate							
Laborforce status	All fields	Computer and mathematical sciences	Biological and agricultural sciences	Health sciences	Physical and related sciences	Social sciences	Psychology	Engineering
Total (number)	626,700	38,400	153,000	21,400	128,400	85,100	93,100	107,200
				Perc	ent —			
Employed full-time ¹		86	83	83	81	80	75	86
Employed part-time ¹	7	5	5	7	5	7	15	3
Unemployed, seeking employment	1	S	1	S	1	S	S	1
Retired	9	7	9	7	11	10	6	8
Not employed, not seeking	2	S	3	S	2	2	3	1

¹ Includes those who held postdoctoral appointments.

KEY: S = Suppressed due to too few cases (fewer than 1,000 weighted cases).

NOTES: Numbers are rounded to nearest hundred. Percents are rounded to the whole number. Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

Survey of Doctorate Recipients includes persons who had earned a research doctorate from an U.S. institution and resided in U.S. as of April 1999.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, 1999 Survey of Doctorate Recipients